


In Our Neighborhood		Yukon Police Department	
Email VonElmEast@cox.net		Non-Emergency (Crime is not ongoing.)	354-1711 or 354-2553
Facebook at Von Elm East		Emergency	911
Cheryl Drabek, Volunteer NW Contact		www.CityofYukonOK.gov Online Incident Reporting at Police Dept. Link Crimes reported not requiring officer present Includes IDENTITY THEFT	
<i>Love your neighbor as yourself.</i>			
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Happy 6th Anniversary Von Elm East Neighborhood Watch

July 23, 2008...Members of the Yukon Police Department met with 15 neighbors from 11 families—thus Von Elm East Neighborhood Watch began.

Zach Roberson became our Neighborhood Officer.

Aug 4, 2008...Yukon's first annual National Night Out.

July 7, 2009...Angie Osborne connected us with Community Action Agency-- printing our newsletters.

March 21, 2010...Denise Schroder set up our Facebook as "Von Elm East."


October 2011...Volunteers step forward, even having signs painted at their expense, and began "Yard of the Month" to celebrate beautiful and/or improved yards.


Fact-Finding in the Floodplain
Special meeting Tuesday, July 22nd
7pm @ 4713 Elk Run
Please bring your statements,
pictures, videos, etc. of property
affected by flooding or
send them to
VonElmEast@cox.net.
(more on page 3)

Yukon Police Department Last Month Crime Stats

We are pro-active!



 On June 26th, near the 4700 block of Elk Run there were two separate incidents of solicitors. Our officers responded to both incidents and were able to locate one of the solicitors who was warned to get a permit.

 On June 28th, on Sylvan Sand a vehicle was broken into and items were stolen.

-- Sgt. Zach Roberson, Our Neighborhood Officer



July Yard of the Month

Congratulations,
Dinwiddie Family
4808 Deer Creek

Shirley wrote on Facebook: "I had the honor of seeing their backyard and it is gorgeous as well.:)"

See photos at Von Elm East Facebook.

We practice the "Five House" Rule—Get to know the neighbors next door to the left and right and the three houses across from you.

We are eyes and ears for our community. Our Mission... We agree to work together, in respect for each other, for the purpose of protecting property, human life, deterring crime through cooperation and crime prevention actions.

Neighborhood Watch is a non-profit organization that is not directly or indirectly related to the Yukon Police Department. It is separate entity that receives support through guidance. Neighborhood Watch agrees to notify the Yukon Police Department of any suspicious activity or areas of concern.



The Green Thumb for August

From: Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service HLA-6408 Landscape Maintenance

- ☐ Water all plantings thoroughly unless rainfall has been adequate.
- ☐ The fall vegetable garden is planted now.
- ☐ Divide and replant spring blooming perennials.
- ☐ Irrigated warm-season lawns may be fertilized again.
- ☐ Hedges and shrubs can be pruned, if necessary, about mid-August.
- ☐ Young trees and shrubs may be fertilized again.
- ☐ Discontinue dead-heading roses by mid-August to help initiate winter hardiness.
- ☐ Brown patch disease of cool-season grasses can be a problem.
- ☐ Meet water requirements of turf.
- ☐ For areas being converted to tall fescue this fall, begin spraying bermudagrass with glyphosate products in early-August.
- ☐ White grub damage can become visible this month. Apply appropriate soil insecticide if white grubs are a problem. Water product into soil.
- ☐ Watch for a second generation of fall webworm in late-August/early-September.
- ☐ Pre-emergent herbicides for winter-annual weed control in warm-season grasses can be applied in late-August. Water in the product after application.



In Real Estate Our Addition

ADDRESS	BUILT	BED	BATH	SFT	GAR
ACTIVE:					
1409 BOIS D ARC DR	1996	3	2	1953	2 \$175,000
PENDING:					
1413 VIOLA DR	1984	3	2	1302	2 \$129,900
1309 OSWEGO DR	1986	3	2	1274	2 \$117,000
4829 ELK RUN	1983	4	2	2405	2 \$181,000
1417 CHIMNEY HILL RD	1998	3		1657	2 \$157,900
CLOSED: None for JUNE					
YUKON SCHOOL DIST STATS:					
112 ACTIVE AVE \$192,701 / 94.10 sq ft					
86 PENDING AVE \$155,373 / 90.38 sq ft					
48 SOLD \$171,900 / 93.43 64 DAYS ON MARKET					
METRO STATS: AVERAGE SELL PRICE \$182,721					
GETTING 98% OF LIST PRICE					
3.70% AVERAGE INTEREST RATE 58 DAYS ON THE MARKET					
Overview of Oklahoma City, OK Market Trends Updated: 7/8/2014					

What's OUT for 2014 Illustration by gluekit for The Wall Street Journal

1. Ikat prints: Historically used "to dress the grandest pashas, the ikat pattern has become a patchy print on kitchen towels," said Los Angeles-based designer Martyn Lawrence Bullard. Laguna Beach designer Sheldon Harte agreed: "You know it's over when it's showing up on paper plates at CVS."

2. All-white kitchens: A decade after the 2003 Diane Keaton film "Something's Gotta Give" glorified the control-freak look, the all-white kitchen "feels cold, stark and humorless," said New York designer Alexandra Chantalimaud. NYC designer Fawn Galli still makes room for pallor, however: "The new white-glass appliances add cleanliness and calm, unlike ubiquitous stainless steel."

3. Woodland creatures: The use of blinky owls, Machiavellian foxes, timid deer and, most recently, mushrooms as decorative motifs in artwork and textiles is verging on kitschy, said Ms. Galli. Try something that's actually alive, said L.A. designer Betsy Burnham, a fan of potted fiddle-leaf fig trees.

4. Books reduced to décor: "It's a statement about not reading," said San Francisco designer Scot Meacham Wood of books that are dust-jacketed in matching colors, stacked into precious tabletop tableaux or—as one high-profile decorator actually did in 2013—arrayed on shelves with their spines to the wall. "It's an affectation," said Chicago designer Alessandra Branca.

5. The Belgian look: Devolving into a catalog cliché, the mix of freshly manufactured "antiques" with the linen upholstery and neutral tones so beloved by Belgian tastemakers like Axel Vervoordt "has influenced even our Main Street, U.S.A. vendors," said Mr. Bullard. "You can't do a whole room like that without it looking like a hotel lobby," added Dallas designer Jan Showers. (Next month read What's In.)



DO YOU HAVE A PLAN?

Excerpt from Tornado Safety by Roger Edwards

After the tornado...

Keep your family together and wait for emergency personnel to arrive. Carefully render aid to those who are injured. Stay away from power lines and puddles with wires in them; they may still be carrying electricity! Watch your step to avoid broken glass, nails, and other sharp objects. Stay out of any heavily damaged houses or buildings; they could collapse at any time. Do not use matches or lighters, in case of leaking natural gas pipes or fuel tanks nearby. Remain calm and alert, and listen for information and instructions from emergency crews or local officials.

<http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/safety.html>

Questions? / Resources? / Home Valuations?

Greg Ouren Keller Williams 405 630 4695

www.2potatoes.com



Our Floodzone & Its Study

We are in a fact-finding mode for our neighborhood hoping to add insight and contribute to what is being learned in the water study recently completed. Now is the time to give input.

Sometime in the fall, three of us, Machel Norman, Tony Smith and Cheryl Drabek will meet with our City Councilman Mike McEachern and City Manager Grayson Bottom. We will take accumulated neighbors' statements, pictures, videos, etc. with us. A big "AND," we will be listening intently about the water study with maps laid out in front of us.

Oklahoma City borders our neighborhood and is involved in our floodplain. A lot of engineering plays into the flow of water throughout Yukon. We can trust the City of Yukon to work well with OKC to make wise complicated decisions maintaining and improving our floodplain for the betterment of our neighborhood.



NEIGHBORS SHARE...

Boyd on Facebook June 16: "Would someone please include the area that backs up to the drain west of the new church on Sara? They removed dirt while building the church and it has become a duck pond/mosquito/frog breeding ground."

Coyote sighting reported June 13

from Sky Trail Court neighbor: One thing you might let all of our neighbors know is that early Tuesday morning, just as the sun was coming up, my husband saw a coyote coming from the north and heading south behind our house. Those of us with small dogs need to be extra careful when we let them out at night. We always go out with our dog after dark because in the past we have had large owls in the trees that can easily carry off a small pet. A hungry coyote can be very resourceful at finding food, even if it means attacking one of our pets.

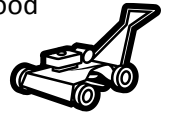
Snakes reported June 16

From an Elk Run Neighbor whose property is in the floodplain: would like to report a problem we have with snakes, because our backyard is in the floodplain, we have had a problem with water moccasins in the yard, we have seen two in the last week. just wanted everyone to know if you have water around your place to be on the look out.

Deer Creek Newsletter Volunteer NEEDED!

Contact VonElmEast@cox.net or our Facebook page. Newsletters are delivered to volunteer's door then volunteer distributes to neighbors.

Lawn care and landscaping: I have a landscape and lawn care services available. If anyone is in need of these services, please contact me or A-Cut-About Lawn Services at [405-412-6869](tel:405-412-6869). We do several neighborhood lawns. My yard included at 1216 Valley Rd. Thank you so much. Becky Chapo



Mechanic: Rhonda posted on F/B July 8: My husband is starting his own **mobile mechanic business** for diesel and gas vehicles - all makes and models. He has over 30 yrs experience, and specializes in Ford Powerstrokes, Dodge Cummins, and Chevy Duramax engines. If anyone needs his services or knows of any individuals or businesses that are in need of an experienced and reasonably-priced mechanic, just give Bob Sestak a call at (405) 265-1872 or email at bob104495@gmail.com.

Quilt Binding by Hand

Mary L. Holliday 405-202-5058

Sewing experience – 50 yrs.

Quilt binding experience – 24 yrs.

Experienced in bindings for award winning quilts —never had a judge criticize my bindings.

Price -- 15¢ per inch by hand with 2 1/2 inch binding pressed ready to sew.

Additional \$10 per quilt to cut & machine stitch binding on front of quilt using ¼" seam; all corners mitered; all binding pieces are joined diagonally.



Prue Sand Neighbor emailed:



The police came to my house earlier & said my dog had chased someone on a bike. I said, you must be joking officer, my dog hasn't got a bike.

Dog business (June 20 email) ...Could you put a reminder in our NW letter, for those that walk their dogs and leave their business in other's yards? Just this morning I found two spots of poo that wasn't there last night while I mowed. I have walked my dogs before and carried a bag with me or I went back after returning my dogs home. It's just common courtesy. Thank you.
City Ordinance Sec 14:47 (a) The owner of any animal shall be responsible for the removal of any excreta deposited by his/her animal on public walks, recreation areas, public streets, or private property other than the premises of the owner of the animal.

water leak & no meter key: A crescent wrench and a screw driver can do it. Remove lid. Adjust crescent wrench to fit on the meter stop, run the screwdriver through the hole at the end of wrench and turn screwdriver clockwise shutting water off.

Bill posted F/B June 25: There was a gas leak yesterday in the neighborhood caused by a riding lawn mower hitting the gas meter. If you're not familiar with how to shut off gas at the meter in case of an emergency this is pretty good explanation.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VyEfXqMh74A>

Boyd wrote: "What you should do is call the gas company and/or 911 and evacuate the area. Only authorized personnel should turn gas on and off. A blowing gas line can create a buildup of static electricity which can arc if you touch the gas piping with a wrench. The gas meter and valve belong to the gas company. The fire dept is trained by the gas company to deal with these situations. Both the fire dept and gas company personnel have the proper fire and flash protection clothing to wear when working around blowing gas. Gas company employees also receive incipient stage firefighting training."

Bill wrote: "They had called the gas company who said they would be out in about thirty minutes and I decided I could cut it off in a few seconds so I did."

Solicitors

NW wrote June 26 around 1pm: Terminix solicitor on Elk Run does not have permit. Yukon Police Department is coming out.

Around 5pm: US House Craft selling roofing, guttering, etc. out of MWC. Royal blue polo with light blue shorts, long blonde hair past shoulders with bangs, white female. Traveling north on Elk Run. No permit. YPD coming out.

Kelly wrote: "Just rang my doorbell. So she is still in neighborhood."

Julie wrote: "Yep she came to my house"..."But it was yesterday at about 11:00"

Auto Break-in

Traci wrote on F/B June 28: "My cousin's truck was broken into last night at 1320 Sylvan Sand. The thieves stole a set of golf clubs in a white and blue ping bag. Please let me know if you have any info. Thanks!"

What to do with left-over Fireworks?

Get them out of our neighborhood! Out of the city limits! Why? Roofs are the driest areas of our homes. Consider once a spark from a Roman candle goes up, it is out of the shooter's control. It can blow in the air and land where it chooses—plenty of roofs to land upon. Once on the roof it lays in wait, smoldering through the night, just waiting to flame and take lives and property. —It's neither neighbor or neighborhood friendly!



WHY Neighborhood Watch WORKS

Fighting crime is every citizen's responsibility. It is important for everyone to develop good safety habits and practice crime prevention.

By learning how criminals select targets and what tactics will discourage them, you can help reduce crime in your neighborhood.

When the community and the police work together as a team, the opportunity for crime to occur is greatly reduced.

Law enforcement cannot be everywhere all the time.

You can be the eyes and ears for the police while reaping the benefits.

Your neighbors are there. They know you and your family, what type of car you drive, and when you will be away. Your neighbor could be the first to spot a burglar at your window or a strange car parked in your driveway.



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www.CityofYukonOK.Gov;
click on Police Dept then click on NW LOGO

Thank you, Newsletter Volunteers • Bois D'Arc WADE
WARDLOW • Chimney Hills Rd & Hunton Terrace TRECIA
STATON • Deer Creek NEEDED • Deer Creek Ct MARGARET
ALBRECHT • Elk Run CAM DOOLEY • Osborn Lane CALAWAYS •
Oswego Drive KATHY RICE • N. Skytrail ANDY NOWLIN • S.
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